

b) Amendments to the Claims

Please cancel claims 1-12.

Please add new claims 13-17.

13. (New) A PET bottle comprising:

(a) a bottle main body and a cap that is detachably attached to a mouth portion of the bottle main body;

(b) wherein the bottle main body is made of a thermoplastic resin and comprises a base portion and an ornamental portion;

(c) wherein the base portion is provided with decompression panels adapted to avoid deformation or fracture of the bottle main body following compression/decompression inside the bottle main body;

(d) wherein the ornamental portion is formed such that it does not exceed an external circumference of the base portion.

14. (New) The PET bottle of claim 13, wherein forming the ornamental portion such that it does not exceed an external circumference of the base portion prevents the ornamental portion from damage during transportation.

15. (New) The PET bottle of claim 13, wherein each of the decompression panels include recessed portions including a substantially arcuate surface.

16. (New) The PET bottle of claim 13, wherein at least one of the decompression panels are substantially rectangular.

B 17. (New) The PET bottle of claim 13, wherein the ornamental portion is formed of a figurine shape including at least one of a head, a torso, arms and legs.
